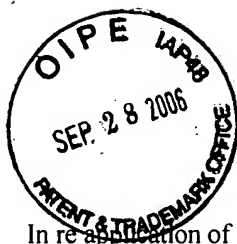


IFW



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q81096

Yoshio TERADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/823,654

Group Art Unit: 1751

Confirmation No.: 4963

Examiner: Lorna M. Douyon

Filed: April 14, 2004

For: CLEANING SHEET, CARRYING MEMBER WITH A CLEANING FUNCTION AND METHOD OF
CLEANING SUBSTRATE PROCESSING EQUIPMENT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated August 28, 2006. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-10, for examination. This election is made without traverse, except that Applicants reserve the right to request rejoinder of any non-elected claims if appropriate in the future.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 11-16.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC
Telephone: (202) 293-7060
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

Mark Boland
Registration No. 32,197

WASHINGTON OFFICE

23373

CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: September 28, 2006